

### REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1, 10 and 42 have been amended, and claim 3 canceled. More specifically, claims 1 and 42 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 3. Therefore, claims 1 and 42 are in allowable condition. Claims 2, 4-10 and 15-19, depending directly or indirectly from claim 1, are similarly allowable. Claims 20-41 have been indicated as allowed.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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